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SUBJECT: CAIRO PRESS REVIEW: LOME CONFERENCE GETS
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HIGHLIGHTS: CAIRO PAPERS JAN. 14 GIVE FULL COVERAGE
TO ADVERSE REACTION OF MANY AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO LIBYA/
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CHAD MERGER. MFA UNDERSECRETARY SAMIR AHMED REPORTEDLY
RECEIVED SPECIAL INVITATION TO REPRESENT EGYPT AT LOME
OAU SUMMIT, DISCUSSING LIBYA'S INVASION OF CHAD AND THEIR
MERGER. EDITORIALS CHARGE SOVIETS WITH MASTER-MINDING
LIBYAN INVASION OF CHAD. PRESS REPORTS LAST OF AFGHAN
MILITANT LEADERS DEPARTED EGYPT YESTERDAY FOLLOWING
SOLIDARITY PROCEEDINGS. PRESIDENT SADAT IS VISITING
ASWAN GOVERNORATE AND WILL RECEIVE CODEL PRICE THERE
TODAY. PAPERS NOTE FOREIGN MINISTER ALI MET YESTERDAY

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WITH VISITING YUGOSLAV DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER TO DISCUSS
BILATERAL RELATIONS AND NAM. END HIGHLIGHTS.

1. LIBYA/CHAD. DAILIES JAN. 14 REPORT FULLY ON 15
MEMBER OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN LOME. PRESIDENT EYADEMA
OF TOGO IS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID EGYPT'S PARTICIPATION IS
IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF ITS POLITICAL WEIGHT IN AFRICA.
PRESS MAINTAINS THAT MEETING BETWEEN EGYPTIAN MFA UNDER-
SECRETARY DR. AHMED AND EYADEMA WAS VERY POSITIVE.
AHMED REPORTEDLY CALLED ON LOME SUMMIT TO ADOPT A
CLEAR-CUT POSITION TOWARD TERMINATION OF ANY FOREIGN
INTERVENTION IN CHAD. HE CALLED ALSO FOR ESTABLISHMENT
OF A (CHADIAN) NATIONAL ALLIANCE WHICH EXPRESSES FREE
VIEWS OF CHADIAN PEOPLE.

2. AFGHANISTAN. PAPERS REPORT AFGHAN MILITANT LEADERS
YESTERDAY EXPRESSED PROFOUND GRATITUDE FOR EGYPT'S
STAUNCH POSITION AGAINST SOVIET INVASION. EGYPT WAS
PRAISED AS "REAL SHIELD FOR ISLAM." COMMENTS WERE MADE
JUST PRIOR TO MILITANTS' DEPARTURE FROM EGYPT FOLLOWING
RECENT SOLIDARITY WEEK. PRESS SAYS MILITANTS WILL BE
REPRESENTED IN ISLAMIC AND ARAB PEOPLES LEAGUE AS REAL
REPRESENTATIVES OF AFGHANISTAN.

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3. SOVIET ESPIONAGE. ALL PAPERS CARRY DEPUTY PM ALI'S
STATEMENT YESTERDAY THAT IT IS SUFFICIENT TO EXPEL
SOVIET TRADE ATTACHE FOR HIS ESPIONAGE. ALI REPORTEDLY
SAID DECISION IS NOT AN "ESCALATION OF THE SITUATION"
BETWEEN EGYPT AND THE SOVIET UNION, BUT IS A WAY OF NOTIFY-
ING THE SOVIET UNION TO ABIDE BY DIPLOMATIC RULES. PRESS
MAKES CLEAR TRADE ATTACHE IS NOT SAME SOVIET EMBASSY
EMPLOYEE WHO WAS GRANTED POLITICAL ASYLUM AT AL-AHRAM
NEWSPAPER YESTERDAY.

4. VISITORS. PAPERS REPORT SADAT RECEIVED GHANAIAN
CHIEF OF STAFF IN ASWAN YESTERDAY. ROSE AL YUSUF
REPORTS SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT MOHAMED ALI SAMANTAR
DESCRIBED HIS RECENT TALKS ON MILITARY COOPERATION
BETWEEN EGYPT AND SOMALIA AS SUCCESSFUL. ATHERTON

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